

U.S ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION II

POLLUTION REPORT

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DATE: September 6, 1988

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24 Hour Emergency

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POLREP NO: Forty four (44)  
INCIDENT NAME: Ringwood Mines  
SITE NO: 62  
POLLUTANT: Lead Paint Sludges  
CLASSIFICATION: Major  
SOURCE: Ford International Services, Inc.  
LOCATION: Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey  
AMOUNT: Approximately 7500 tons  
WATER BODY: Groundwater

1. SITUATION:

A. Paint sludges from the automotive industry were disposed of in a large mine area in Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey.

B. Based upon the concentration of lead in the EP Toxicity leachates, the paint sludge exhibited the characteristics of a hazardous waste as promulgated in 40 CFR, 261, Subpart C (USEPA hazardous waste number D008).

C. A consent order was signed by Ford International Services, Inc. accepting responsibility for the total site clean-up.

D. Four areas containing solidified paint sludge were designated as pits A, B, C and D. Pits A, B, and D are located on-site and were excavated first. Pit C, located at an isolated area off site, was addressed last.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. On September 6, 1988 members of Kramer Environmental and Woodward Clyde Consultants, remobilized on-site to complete the clean up.

B. Truckloads of backfill dirt were deposited in areas A and C.

C. Work at areas B and D has been completed. Both were backfilled and hydroseeded.

D. EPA continues to monitor PRP activities.

3. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Activities are not expected to exceed two weeks.

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